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1. See page 5, an overlay on USTCM Series 25, GIURGIU, 0322-9997-0-25M (PROV),

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1. The road to Byala

Road was cobblestoned, 10x15cm, first class, in excellent condition, and had military-strategic significance; it was six meters wide, had no drainage ditches, and much truck traffic which served local factories. Telegraph-telephone-electrical lines flanked the road. There were no traffic signal controls; the road was illuminated at night.

2. The Juta factory which produced sacks and bags for agricultural use. This factory was an old brick-stucco building and measured 100x25-30x6m; it was single storied with a saw-toothed roof with glass panes. Source entered the building once to visit an employee. There were approximately 100 women employed there.
3. The "Gavrillo Genov" Chemical Plant which produced dyes. Approximately 60 workers plus 10 to 15 administrative personnel were employed there. The plant worked one shift, 0700-1700 hours, six days a week.

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4. The "Dunavska Kuprina" silk textile plant which operated in two shifts, 0400-1130 and 1330-2130; there was a total of 20 administrative and 100 textile workers.
5. A hosiery factory which produced cotton, wool, and silk stockings and underwear for men and women. It was a three-story stuccoed building with a gable roof and employed 80 workers. The factory's dimensions were 60x20x15m.
6. The 9th of September Tannery which produced leather for shoes. There was one eight-hour shift and 50 to 60 workers; the building was single storied, stuccoed, and measured 100x7x5m.
7. The "Iskustvo" Furniture Factory was a two-story L-shaped building, measuring 30x10x8m.
8. The administration building of one shop of the "Volko Chervenkov" plant complex was two-storied stucco-brick and had a gabled tile roof.
9. The "Dunavia" Cannery which canned fruits and vegetables. Source could not remember the dimensions of the buildings on the factory premises but believed the area contained three buildings. One housed the factory administration, one served as a raw material storage, and one was the cannery. The administration building had two stories while the others had a single story; approximately 50 to 60 employees worked there.
10. The "Volko Chervenkov" State Industrial Enterprise which produced such items as nails, bolts, nuts, plows, and other small metal articles. The building traced on the overlay is one of three buildings (see Points 8 and 12) in the factory complex. This building was single storied, brick-stucco, and had a gabled tile roof. Source could not give reliable dimensions of the building or the number of workers employed there; however, he heard [redacted] that the whole plant (including points 12 and 8) employed from 250 to 300 persons. The plant worked in three shifts: 0700-1500, 1500-2300, and 2300-0700. The average wage for a worker was 600 leva per month; morale was poor among the workers. 50X1
11. An oleo manufacturing plant which processed sunflower seeds.
12. A shop of the V. Chervenkov plant complex (see Point 10), a single-storied brick-stucco building, with a gable-tile roof; 70x20x5m. Source entered this shop once and observed about 10 to 15 machine tools (lathes).
13. A ship repair plant, a single-storied stuccoed building, 100x10x4m, which employed approximately 70 workers to repair Danube River craft. One floating dry dock, 80x10m, was located nearby; salvaged or damaged ships were refitted and repaired there.
14. A food refrigeration plant where meats and other perishable products were stored for further shipment. The building was wood and measured 120x10x5m.
15. A single-storied railroad station. This station was stuccoed, had a flat cement roof, and measured 30x6x6m; there were no security controls at the station.
16. The administration office and workshop of the Nayden Kirov Electrical Appliance Plant. (See Points 32 and 32a for its relationship to other plant shops.) This building has probably been evacuated by now. The offices and shop were to move to the newly-constructed building (Point 32a). The old building was two-storied, stuccoed, and U-shaped; each wing was approximately 40x10x8m.

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17. The only thermal-electric power station in Ruse; [redacted] 50X1
that this station had 3 or 4 turbines. The building was L-shaped; the long wing housed turbines and was a single story building, 40x10x7m. The short wing which housed administration offices was a two story building, 25x10x8m. This thermal-electric power station supplied electricity to all factories and homes in Ruse. Power failures never occurred.
18. A yeast factory which was two stories tall, built of stucco and had a gable roof. Source was unable to give the factory's dimensions.
19. The "Vassily Kolarov" Railroad Repair Depot which employed about 800 workers. Only engines and freight cars were repaired here.
20. The "Christo Botev" Soap Factory was a two-story stuccoed building. The factory worked one eight-hour shift; 70 workers were employed here.
21. The administration building of a textile factory was a three-story stuccoed building, 50x20x12m, with a gabled tile roof.
22. The "Velo Pliskova" Textile Factory produced cotton goods. The factory operated on three shifts with 100 workers per shift. The factory, 100x40x5m, was a single-story stucco building with a saw-toothed glass roof.
23. Prenos-Prevos [redacted] 50X1
24. The regional maintenance base which repaired trucks owned by various plants and factories in the Ruse area. The building was U-shaped; each wing was approximately 35-5-5m, single story, stuccoed, with a gabled tile roof. This base employed 25-30 mechanics.
25. The "Natcho Ivanov" Flour Mill was three stories tall, stuccoed, 70x20x15m, and had a gabled tile roof.
26. A hat-manufacturing factory which was U-shaped; each wing was 50x10x4m and had one story.
27. Another building which belonged to the "Natcho Ivanov" Flour Mill. This building was a four-story, stuccoed building, 75-80x20x18m, with a gabled tile roof.
28. A state tractor repair plant, a single-story stuccoed building, 20x10x5m, with a gabled tile roof. The plant employed 30 mechanics.
29. The "Georgy Dimitrov" State Machine Construction Plant which manufactures machinery. The dotted line on the overlay indicates the area occupied by this plant; the area contained about 10 brick-stucco buildings. Source could not give a physical description of the individual buildings but described the administration building as a three-story structure. About seven manufacturing shops were single story buildings. A friend who worked there once told source that this plant employed about 1800 workers. The plant operated on a full six-day week with three daily shifts and produced combines, sowers, plows, and reapers.
30. An oleo factory which processed sunflower seed.

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31. A vinegar factory, which had two stories, was stuccoed and measured 60x12x10m.
32. The Nayden Kirov Electrical Appliance Plant which produced switches, electric stoves (domestic), cords, and other small domestic-type items. The plant was a single-story brick building 90x15x5m, with a saw-toothed glass roof and employed about 350 workers who worked three shifts every eight hours.
- 32a. A newly-constructed annex to Point 32 above. This building was still under construction [redacted] but source believes it is now completed. It was a three-story stuccoed building, 30x15x12m, with a gabled-tile roof. This annex is to house the plant administration offices which are presently located at Point 16.
33. Shop #6 of the Volko Chervenkov State Industrial Enterprise. This shop produces metal products and was formerly called Ivan Detchev; it was an independent factory which was incorporated into the Volko Chervenkov Enterprise in early 1954. Shop #6 was a single-storied stuccoed building which employed 30-35 workers; it produced nuts, bolts, and other small metal items.
34. The approximate location of an underwater electric power line which supplied electricity to the outlying villages and towns in the area of Ruse. Source heard that the electric power originated in Ploesti, Rumania, and that it probably supplied some current to Giurgiu, Rumania.

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